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Dear Dr. Weinberg:

I have intended for some time to write to tell you that I thoroughly enjoyed your lecture "Night Thoughts of a Quantum Physicist" that appeared in the Bulletin of the American Academy of Arts and Sciences for December 1995. I lent my copy of the Bulletin to a friend months ago so that he could read your paper, and I just got it back. I reread it last night and enjoyed it even more than I did the first time. I was enlightened by your discussion of the shortcomings of the standard model, and I was greatly pleased by your comments on the "postmodern" writers, and on religion. Especially in connection with religion, it is not usual to see criticism coming from physicists. In my experience, physicists are more accepting of religion than are my fellow biologists.

I could probably write an essay on the reasons for that, but I will avoid the temptation and will simply thank you once more for your brilliant paper.

Yours sincerely,

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